

REMARKS

This Response and Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated June 4, 2004.

Claims 1-55 are pending in this application. Application gratefully acknowledges the Examiner's indication that Claims 18, 19, 21-32, 36-39, 47, 49, and 52 include allowable subject matter.

In this Office Action, Applicant has amended the paragraph on page 3, lines 21-27 to correct a typographical error identifying "lift assembly 22," rather than "lift assembly 20." This amendment brings the paragraph in conformance with referenced Figs. 1 and 2. Further, Applicant has canceled Claims 1, 21-22, 26, 30, 32-41, 47, and 49-55, amended Claims 2, 4-5, 8-9, 12, 14, 19-20, 23-25, 27-28, 31, 42-43, 45-46 and 48, and added new Claims 56-93.

Claims 21, 22, 26, 30, 32, 47, and 48, which the Examiner indicated as including allowable subject matter, have been canceled and rewritten as new independent Claims 56, 57, 62, 65, 78, 85, and 86. Independent Claims 1, 33, 41, and 50, which were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,842,577 (Stevens et al.) in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,470,589 (Singer), have been canceled.

In view of the amendments presented herein, Applicant believes that the claims as filed are in condition for allowance and respectfully requests a timely Notice of Allowance be issued for this case. Applicant kindly requests that the Examiner telephone the attorney of record in the event a telephone discussion would be helpful in advancing the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,



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